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Interview Summary

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Applicant(s)

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Examiner

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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

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(2) Lou Budzyn.

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Date of Interview: 22 April 2003.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☒ Yes e) ☐ No.

If Yes, brief description: Proposed amendment after final.

Claim(s) discussed: 1, 19, 33 and 37.

Identification of prior art discussed: US 5,687,542 and US 4,521,237.

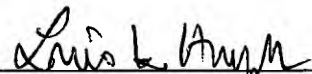
Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet.

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Examiner's signature, if required

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Applicant contends that the reference to Lawecky does not disclose a step of sterilizing the container after the container is enclosed in a second container as recited in claim 1; that neither references to Lawecky and Logothetis discloses a step of transferring glass syringe barrels to a housing for maintaining a predetermined cleanliness after annealing the syringe barrels at a temperature of 500 degrees C as recited in claim 19; and that the step of air cleaning the tip caps recited in claims 33 and 37 is different from air flowing disclosed in the reference to Lawecky because the tip caps are delivered from outside of the controlled environment. The examiner does not agree but will reconsider as applicant will file an official response to the final rejection mailed January 27, 2003.